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# PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA COMMISSION DIRECTIVE

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTER		DATE	September 15, 2021
MOTOR CARRIER MATTER		DOCKET NO.	2014-276-C/2016-180-C 2000-121-C/2006-42-C 2008-49-C/1985-157-C 1996-89-C/2000-536-C 2009-300-C/1992-113-C
UTILITIES MATTER	✓	ORDER NO.	2021-632

## THIS DIRECTIVE SHALL SERVE AS THE COMMISSION'S ORDER ON THIS ISSUE.

# **Order Regarding Change in Control**

#### **SUBJECT:**

DOCKET NO. 2014-276-C - Application of South Carolina Telecommunications Group Holdings, LLC d/b/a Spirit Communications for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Provide Local Exchange and Interexchange Telecommunications Services, and for Flexible and Alternative Regulation'

DOCKET NO. 2016-180-C - Application of South Carolina Telecommunications Group Holdings, LLC d/b/a Spirit Communications to Amend Its Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Provide Facilities-Based and Resold Local Exchange Telecommunications Services, and for Flexible Regulation of Its Local Exchange Services;

DOCKET NO. 2000-121-C - Application of South Carolina Net, Incorporated d/b/a Spirit Communications (f/k/a Spirit Telecom) for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Provide Local Exchange Service to Customers Located in Those Areas of South Carolina Being Served by BellSouth Telecommunications, LLC d/b/a AT&T South Carolina, Frontier Communications of the Carolinas, Incorporated (f/k/a Verizon South, Incorporated) and United Telephone Company of the Carolinas, LLC d/b/a CenturyLink;

<u>DOCKET NO. 2006-42-C</u> - <u>Application of FRC, LLC, for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Provide Intrastate Telecommunications Services as a Carrier's Carrier;</u>

DOCKET NO. 2008-49-C - Application of FRC, LLC for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Provide Local Exchange and Exchange Access Services throughout the State of South Carolina and Request for Flexible Regulation;

<u>DOCKET NO. 1985-157-C</u> - <u>Application of PalmettoNet, Incorporated for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Provide Intrastate Interexchange Telecommunications Services;</u>

DOCKET NO. 1996-89-C - Application of Spirit Tower Company, LLC (f/k/a SCANA Communications, Incorporated) for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Provide Intrastate Telecommunications Services as a Carrier's Carrier, Private Line and Special Access Services within South Carolina;

DOCKET NO. 2000-536-C - Spirit Tower Company, LLC (f/k/a SCANA Communications, Incorporated) - Application to Amend Its Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Provide Intrastate Local Exchange, Exchange Access, and Interexchange Telecommunications Services within the State of South Carolina and for Flexible Regulation:

DOCKET NO. 1992-113-C - Application of SCNet, Incorporated d/b/a Spirit Telecom for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity as a Reseller to Provide Intrastate and InterLATA Services;

-and-

DOCKET NO. 2009-300-C - Application of LMK Communications, LLC d/b/a Segra (f/k/a d/b/a Clarity Communications Group, LLC) for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Provide Interexchange and Local Exchange Telecommunications Services and for Local Service Offerings - Staff Presents for Commission Consideration the Notice of Control of Certain Indirect Subsidiaries of MTN Infrastructure TopCo LP, Transferor, to Cox Communications, Incorporated, Transferee.

## **COMMISSION ACTION:**

On August 10, 2021, the Commission was notified by MTN Infrastructure TopCo LP ("MTN Infrastructure" or "Transferor") and Cox Communications, Inc. ("Cox," and together with MTN Infrastructure, the "Parties") of a transaction that will result in a change of control of the indirect, wholly-owned subsidiaries of MTN Infrastructure (the "Segra Commercial Licensees"), which in South Carolina include FRC, LLC ("FRC"), LMK Communications, LLC ("LMK"), PalmettoNet Inc. ("Palmetto"), South Carolina Net, Inc. d/b/a Spirit Telecom ("SCNet"), South Carolina Telecommunications Group Holdings, LLC d/b/a Spirit Communications ("SCTG Holdings"), and Spirit Tower Company, LLC ("Spirit Tower") (collectively, the "Licensees") from MTN Infrastructure to Cox.

MTN Infrastructure is separating the residential and commercial service segments of its business that currently operate under the brand name "Segra." Cox proposes to acquire control only of the Segra Commercial Licensees, including the Licensees identified above. The proposed transaction will occur at the parent level only and there is no assignment of licenses, assets, or customers.

Immediately following the transfer, the Licensees will continue to provide service to existing customers pursuant to the same rates, terms, and conditions and this notice is being provided for informational purposes only.

I move that the Commission accept as information the notification in these Dockets with regard to the change in control of MTN Infrastructure TopCo LP to Cox Communications, Inc. I so move.

PRESIDING: J. Williams		SESSION: <u>Regular</u>		TIME: 11:00 a.m.			
	MOTION	YES	NO	OTHER			
BELSER		<b>✓</b>		Present in Hearing Room			
CASTON		<b>✓</b>			Voting via	Audioconference	
ERVIN		<b>✓</b>			Voting via	Audioconference	
POWERS	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>			Voting via	WebEx	
THOMAS		<b>✓</b>			Present in	Hearing Room	
C. WILLIAMS		<b>✓</b>			Present in	Hearing Room	
J. WILLIAMS		<b>✓</b>			Present in	Hearing Room	
(SEAL)						RECORDED BY: J. Schm	ieding

